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			A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon	...Dep.		6.40	8.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.29	7.10
Yaumati	...Dep.		6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.38	7.19
Shatin	...Dep.		7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
Taipo	...Dep.		7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Taipo Market	...Dep.		7.21	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08	7.48
Fanling	...Dep.		7.32	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	5.24	6.19	7.58
Sheungshui	...Dep.		7.36	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	5.28	6.23	8.02
Shumchun	...Arr.		7.42	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	5.34	6.29	8.08

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shumchun	...Dep.	7.21	8.05	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.48
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.28	8.12	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.15
Fanling	...Dep.	7.32	8.16	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.19
Taipo Market	...Dep.	7.42	8.26	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	6.29
Taipo	...Dep.	7.46	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	6.33
Shatin	...Dep.	7.59	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	6.46
Yaumati	...Dep.	8.12	8.55	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03	6.58
Kowloon	...Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.11	7.06

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Kowloon	...Dep.		6.40	8.35	9.15	10.30	12.00	2.22	5.29	7.10
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Shatin	...Dep.		7.02	—	9.36	10.51	12.21	2.43	5.51	7.31
Taipo	...Dep.		7.16	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	2.56	6.05	7.44
Taipo Market	...Dep.		7.21	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	3.00	6.09	7.48
Fanling	...Dep.		7.32	—	10.03	11.18	12.48	3.11	6.20	7.58
Sheungshui	...Dep.		7.36	—	10.07	11.22	12.52	3.15	6.24	8.02
Shumchun	...Arr.		7.42	—	10.13	11.28	12.58	3.21	6.30	8.08

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Fanling	...Dep.	8.23	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	—	5.51	6.20	
Taipo Market	...Dep.	8.33	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	—	6.01	6.30	
Taipo	...Dep.	8.37	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	—	6.05	6.34	
Shatin	...Dep.	8.51	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.55	—	6.18	6.47	
Yaumati	...Dep.	9.03	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.07	—	6.30	6.59	
Kowloon	...Arr.	9.11	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.15	—	6.04	6.38	7.07

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The mere sight of them conjures up visions of misery—complaints, grievances, grumbles. These are the people who see no future for British trade, who consider that the day of the "small man" is ended, who count the number of bankruptcies in each year, and know, with lugubrious certainty, the number that may be expected shortly.

They are also the men who never had a chance themselves because from the outset they were hampered by lack of capital.

A very great physician, with a practice among city men, once advised a young girl in the writer's hearing never to marry anyone who used the phrase: "If only I had a little capital of my own. . . ." Such individuals, he declared, were the male counterpart of the girls who say that they were misunderstood at home.

On the other hand, there are people whom we meet with peculiar delight. To meet them is to taste the fullest flavour of life and to see everything in a brighter light.

They are not always agreeable fellows. Some of them are decidedly aggressive, even rude. But they possess that magical quality which is strength. The great in all walks of life belong to this category.

The energy they radiate suffices for the needs of a hundred others.

SALT OF THE EARTH.

Such men are not only the leaders of enterprise; they are also a tonic to the world in which they live. In some strange and subtle way they seem to confer mental and physical fitness on those associated with them.

And yet only the very few ever profit in their own lives by the example which these big personalities display. Their secret is so obvious that most of us do not even trouble to read it. We prefer our "inward strength" at second hand.

That secret is not so much will-power and determination as the joy of living. The man who always needs a little capital is the man who lives wearily, without mirth or adventure.

Could he suddenly open his eyes and see life as the "big men" he so often reviles see it, he would complain no longer. The less capital he had the greater would be his enjoyment in getting it.

"There is no fun like work," is the secret thought of the people who count in this world.

All men cannot be big. But most men would be bigger than they are if they enjoyed themselves more in their work. The first step in that direction is to avoid grumblers just as one avoids grumblers. Once the "little capital" attitude of mind has been abandoned permanently all sorts of things become possible.

For business health differs very little from bodily health. Those keep fit who refuse to be ill and who refuse to "think in terms of unfitness."

Moreover, bodily health and business health are very closely allied. The seeker after a little capital is usually a weedy fellow. No doubt that fact affords him another grievance against fate, but more often than not it is his own fault.

Were he to change his frame of mind and get capital instead of regretting its absence he would, in many instances at least, get health with it. The idea that self-made men cannot enjoy themselves by reason of unfitness is a myth.

CHARACTERISTIC OF SUCCESS.

Indeed, it is common knowledge among doctors that the distinguishing mark of successful men and women is their robust strength—or rather the vast amount of energy they contrive to get out of their physical frames.

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It is the mental attitude which counts first, last, and all the time.

When we have put grumbling behind us we can take the positive step of putting an aim in front of us. The nature of this matters but little.

What is really significant is the fact that the mind now possesses a means of measuring itself, day by day, against the hope which inspires it.

Very similar is the attitude of the athlete training for some "event." He grows stronger than his former self because he has set out to grow stronger than his opponents or competitors.

Any science of fitness which omits this "business fitness" is foredoomed to failure. Happiness, in Emerson's famous definition, consists in a congenial occupation with a sense of progress.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

WEEKLY REPORT.

HONGKONG, December 12th.

Since our last Report of the 5th instant, there is a distinctly better tone and more enquiry in the local market and this has resulted in the transaction of a fair volume of business, and the establishment of several important advances in values.

The market in the North is also firm, the principal feature being the demand for Shanghai Docks, Hongkew Wharves and Shanghai Lands at higher prices.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled steady throughout the week with sales made at $1,175. The London price has advanced to £140 (middle).

Marine and Fire Insurances.—Unions have further declined with sales made down to $262. Hongkong Fires continue their upward movement and could be placed at $695. Cantons at $730, China Fires at $180 and Yangtszes at $42½ have all lapsed to nominal quotations.

Shipping.—"Star" Ferries have again firmed up and close with buyers at $127½. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have changed hands at $36½/36¾. Union Waterboats are in demand and can be placed at $18½. Douglas Steamships are on offer at $38 and probably a lower rate would be accepted. Deferred Indo-Chinas have advanced to $120 buyers.

Refineries.—China Sugars in the absence of business are ruling weak and are obtainable at $93. Malabons at $41 continue neglected.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats (combined) have been in strong demand and the price has jumped to Tls. 22. "Shells" are wanted at 85/-. Tronohs after having advanced to 56/- have lapsed to a nominal quotation. Benguets at Ps. 2.80 and Kailans at 70/- have not moved.

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Tramways continue in demand and have risen to a buying rate of $52. China Lights (combined) were negotiated in the beginning of the week at $21½, but have since spurted to $24. Hongkong Electrics are enquired for at $42½.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—A good demand for Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves has lifted the price steadily up to $212, and a fair amount of business has been done on this basis forward. Hongkong and Whampoa Docks advanced during the week to $153, but are slightly easier at the close. Shanghai Docks at Tls. 107½ mark a further rise. Hongkew Wharves are in good demand and have jumped to Tls. 205. New Engineerings closed better, at Tls. 7.60.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands advanced at $108½ but have again weakened with the market closing at $106. Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels are slightly firmer and the old shares have been bought at $18½ and the new at $18¼. Humphreys Estates at $21½ and Prince's Buildings at $150 are wanted at quotations. Shanghai Lands have been sold at Tls. 130. At the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company, held on the 9th instant, in connection with the increase of Capital, an amendment to have the new shares issued at Tls. 75 instead of Tls. 90 was proposed and carried.

Cotton Mills.—Ewo Mills have fluctuated between Tls. 11.85 and Tls. 12. Shanghai Cottons are enquired for at Tls. 60 for the old and Tls. 33 for the new, and Orientals at Tls. 3.60.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been the medium of a large business and close in strong demand at $25½. China Providents (combined) have eased to $32, but at this rate there are buyers. Dairy Farms were put through at $24½, but close with sellers at $24½. Lane, Crawfords were taken at $18.90. Constructions are asked for at $7½. Ropes (combined) are lower and have come to business at $55. Peak Tramways (old) have receded to $28 and the new to $11.

Exchange.—The T.T. selling rate on London to-day is 2/4⅛ and on Shanghai 72½.

Forward Settlement Days.—December 23rd (Tuesday); January 20th (Tuesday); February 24th (Tuesday) and March 24th (Tuesday).

BENJAMIN AND POTTS.

CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Long Tack Sam and his troupe at the Queen's Theatre, continue their triumphs. Against a background crusted with glittering dragons and clothed in stiff silks and satin the ten Chinese again and again astonished the audience with their performances. Besides greedily devouring a whole packet of needles, Long Tack Sam performed more confortable magic, he plucked bowls of goldfish from the air. He swung brimming bowls of water around his head without spilling a drop. He burnt a strip of cloth in half and then made it whole again. The other nine magicians, including Sam's pretty wife and his charming daughters, presented a continuous panorama of wonders. Long Tack Sam and his company will finish their season at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday at 9.15 p.m. and sail for Australia under an engagement with Messrs. Musgroves Vaudeville Co. of Sydney and Melbourne.

WORLD THEATRE.

The stage and its chorus girls, fluffy dresses and costumes, vivid make-ups, hustle and bustle of dressing rooms, and the gay night life of the gorgeously gowned players are picturesquely portrayed in "The Gold Diggers," which will be seen for the last time at the World Theatre to-day. Throughout the picture, the eye is constantly delighted by the big stage scenes, large, beautifully furnished apartments, "wild" parties with their splendour, and picturesque Spanish dances. The story tells how this group of chorus girls, clubbing in an apartment proceed to extract as much money and other valuables as they can from the men of their acquaintance. They go to parties, smoke, dance and enjoy life. Thus things go along until one of the young men falls in love with Violet Dane. This alone would have been enough to upset the tranquility of things but to add to the complication, the youth faces disinheritance by his uncle, who detests show girls.



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The Toyo Bunko, as the Oriental Library is called in Japanese, was begun in October, 1922, under the supervision of Dr. Sakurai, and completed only recently, when the Morrison collection, purchased by Baron Iwasaki, was brought to Tokyo from Peking. A two-storey fire-proof building, with its exterior beautifully finished in brown brick, will house the treasures which are expected to be the objective of students of the Orient from the world over. The library is so furnished indoors that the rooms are always kept dry to prevent the rare volumes from deteriorating in the humid climate of Tokyo.

The Morrison library, which is the crystallization of 20 years' work by the original collector consists of some 35,000 volumes, mostly treating with the Orient, to which have been added many valuable works collected from the markets of the world under the supervision of Dr. Shiratori and at a total expense to Baron Iwasaki of Y.1,500,000, including the cost for the present building.

MARCO POLO BOOK SHOWN.

The first edition of the travels of Marco Polo, published in 1502, one of the first books ever printed, is in the collection. A testament published in Amakusa at the beginning of the Tokugawa era and many important works covering all ages of Japanese history, which were treasured by the Iwasaki, also are included in the Oriental Library.

The Morrison collection was begun in 1897 when Dr. Morrison first went to China as correspondent of *The Times*. At first, he kept his books in his private residence in the Legation quarter in Peking, but later preserved the collection in the library of his residence, at Wangfuching Road, known as Morrison street. But even before coming to China, Dr. Morrison had begun to buy books, when documents dealing with the Celestial Empire were a drug on the market. After reaching China he systematically purchased every available book on China in every language. The collection includes works on China, Tibet, Mongolia, Manchuria, Kashgaria, Siberia, Korea, and Formosa, and a comprehensive set of works on Central Asia.

There are books in 20 languages, including English, French, German, Norwegian, Swedish, Danish, Italian, Latin, Spanish, Portuguese, Turkish, Arabic, and Hebrew. Dictionaries alone number more than 400, including the early vocabulary of Mentzel, published in 1685, giving a Latin translation of the characters of the Nestorian alphabet; the MS. dictionary completed in 1724 by Fernandez Serrano, the MS. dictionary used by Sir John Barrow, who was attached to Lord Macartney's Embassy in China in 1793, and a complete list of Turkish books on Islamism, presented to Dr. Morrison by the late Mr. W. W. Rockhill, American ambassador to Turkey.

The library also contains Oliver Goldsmith's "Citizen of the World," in its rare first edition of 1762; a first edition of De Foe's second voyage of Robinson Crusoe, in which he came to Peking and passed through the Gobi desert and Siberia, printed in 1719.

MUCH MISSION LITERATURE.

The library is more complete than any other in works on the missionary history of China. It is believed to contain a complete set in French, Italian and Latin of all the controversial pamphlets written at the time of the famous dispute between the Jesuits and Dominicans regarding the ancestral worship in China in the early part of the 18th Century.

The Boxer rebellion is represented fully, more than 100 works dealing with the siege of Peking being found on the shelves. At that time the library was narrowly saved from destruction. A chain of several hundred Chinese Christians bore the library from the Legation building to Prince Su's palace and a few hours later the library building was destroyed by fire, as were nearly all other libraries in Peking. There are hundreds of maps as well in the collection. All of the books are in foreign languages.

The library will be opened to the public, with a view to affording opportunities of profounder chances of study, beginning in the early part of December, while the second storey will be devoted exclusively to the use of Dr. Yeda and Dr. Shiratori for their researches. The results of their studies will be published in the form of lecture meetings in the auditorium of the library.

A LABOUR GOVERNOR.

The King received in audience at Buckingham Palace on November 4th Captain James O'Grady, formerly Labour M.P. for South-East Leeds, who has been appointed Governor of Tasmania. He kissed hands on appointment, and his Majesty bestowed upon him the honour of knighthood, and invested him with the insignia of a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. Speaking at a Royal Colonial Institute luncheon, Sir James O'Grady said that he expected to make mistakes in his new position, but he hoped to carry out his duties with dignity and honour to our gracious Sovereign.

SHIP'S OFFICER RUNS AMOK.

SHIP CATCHES FIRE WHILE THIRD MATE IS ABSENT.

Serious charges were preferred against Alexander Forbes Jamieson, third officer of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's str. *Kingsing*, in the British Police Court at Shanghai on the 6th inst. before Mr. G. W. King.

The first charge was misconduct, neglect of duty and causing serious loss and damage. He was further charged with being absent from duty without leave or permission, and also with refusing to obey the commands of the captain of the ship. The latter charge was withdrawn.

Mr. Sidney Young appeared for the prosecution: Mr. J. R. Jones defended.

Mr. Young, outlining the case, said that on the afternoon of December 3rd the *Kingsing* arrived in Shanghai and berthed at the Ningpo Wharf. The third officer was supposed to be in charge that night, but he left the ship at about 11 o'clock and during his absence a fire broke out in his cabin. The crew set about fighting the flames, and while they were at this work the defendant returned and obstructed their work in such a way as to endanger the safety of the ship.

Capt. T. M. Merrick, skipper of the steamer, said it was usual for the third officer to take the first night watch when a ship arrived in port. Witness came on board at nine o'clock and did not see defendant. He went to bed and was awakened about midnight by the Chinese quartermaster, who told him the ship was on fire. On the scene he found the Second Engineer together with a number of firemen preparing the fire hose. The fire had broken out in the accused's cabin which was locked. He ordered axes to be brought and had the door broken in, but the heat was so intense that it could not be entered. Accused came on board in the middle of this, appeared to be very drunk and shouted something about doing his duty. Witness told him to get out, but he refused and witness eventually had to hit him under the chin to keep him quiet and ordered the crew to lock him up. He broke loose from the crew and finally the Second Engineer had to lock him up. When he broke in on things he started to smash things up.

Cross-examined, witness agreed that he did not think the accused's actions were with any malicious intent. He admitted he was excited himself. He agreed that no explicit orders had been given the accused to stop on board that night, but said it was an understood thing that the Third Officer always took that particular watch.

Further questioned, Capt. Merrick said he considered the Third Officer a perfectly good officer, satisfactory in every way, and this offence came as a surprise to him. He was perfectly willing to take him to his ship if the Company were agreeable. He had no idea how the fire originated but considered the accused indirectly responsible as it broke out in his cabin.

The Second Engineer, in evidence, said he could not say the Third Officer was drunk but he was certainly very excited.

Mr. Jones, addressing the Court, said the accused pleaded guilty to being absent without leave from the ship. He was away 20 minutes only and could not be held responsible for the fire. To say he was responsible would be mere conjecture, and the marine career of this young officer should not be blasted on such evidence. The Company's regulations required that an officer should be on the ship, but did not state specifically which officer, and it had not been proved that the Third Officer was supposed to be on duty. It was merely a mutual arrangement with the others.

Accused, in evidence, said he had been at sea about six or seven years. He did leave the ship for about half an hour on the night in question, but he was sober when he went and sober when he returned. He went ashore in order to get a punchbowl from the str. *Fuming*, which he did. He had about four drinks at dinner but none after. When he got on board and found his cabin in flames he ran amok and did not remember the Captain striking him.

The Magistrate held that the first charge was not proved. On the other charges, as the Company was not pressing for punishment and the captain offered to take him back on the ship, he would only fine him two days' pay.

WONGSHA RAILWAY STATION DESTROYED BY FIRE.

AMMUNITION THWARTS FIREMEN'S ATTEMPTS.

The terminal station of the Yuet Han Railway at Wongsha (Canton) which escaped unscathed in the recent big fire, was unfortunately destroyed by another fire which broke out on the morning of the 10th inst., says the *Canton Times*. The fire, which started at about 10.30 o'clock, originated in the guards quarters, situated on the first floor of the station building, which was built largely of inflammable materials. Although the fire fighters arrived promptly on the scene they were prevented from working at close range owing to the frequent explosion of ammunition which was stored in the premises that were on fire. It was not until afternoon that the fire was eventually subjugated, when it was found that the 1st and 2nd class passengers waiting rooms as well as the booking-office had been completely destroyed.

The telegraph office situated at the back of the booking-office was also partially damaged, but telegraphic service is not effected, being now transmitted through the general office of the Railway Co.

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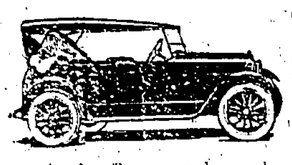
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Last night's performance of Gilbert and Sullivan's Opera, "The Yeomen of the Guard" given at the Theatre Royal by the Hongkong Philharmonic Society, strikingly illustrated the high level of achievement rendered possible by co-operation. For weeks past local musical folk, representative of the Navy, Army and civil life (which all too seldom meet on common ground), have joined together under the humanizing and uplifting influence of music, and the kindly and skilful direction of Mr. S. Collett, gaining for themselves in so doing many benefits, intangible but not the less real, and finally affording many hundreds of their fellows hours of keen enjoyment. What better way of using leisure hours during this brisk winter weather could be desired?

To present a Gilbert and Sullivan Opera was an ambitious project for "local talent" to attempt, but any misgivings which may have arisen in the early stages of the long and arduous progress of the practices, and under the special difficulties inseparable from artistic work in remote corners of the globe, must lately have disappeared, judging from the high degree of efficiency and skill displayed by the whole company.

Hongkong is fortunate in the possession of so many talented actors and singers. In some cases the performers were not strong in both capacities, but at any rate those whose singing voices were not of the highest order manifested considerable histrionic ability, and those whose acting was to be classed as moderate more than made up for any deficiencies in that respect by specially high qualities as singers. In addition, apart from the contribution of the leading players, the success of the opera was further ensured by the really excellent work of the chorus and the orchestra. In respect of the chorus, especially, the audience could not but be impressed with the difference between last night's play and the performance of most professional choruses that tour the East, whose members are too blasé to take the intelligent interest manifested by the rank and file of the Philharmonic Society.

Commenting on the principal actors in the order, more or less, in which they appeared, it may be said that Mrs. Douglas Reid, as Phœbe Meryll, daughter of the Sergeant of the Tower, conveyed an excellent first impression which was heightened as the play proceeded. Mrs. Reid has a handsome personal and stage presence, her costume was particularly good and her solos delightfully rendered, whether the vein was grave or gay. As an actress, Mrs. Reid was one of the chief successes of the evening. She managed to leaven the coquetry the part called for with just that degree of maidenly reserve and good feeling which kept her performance at the right level. In the familiar song, "Were I thy bride," Phœbe made a decided hit and she and her partner the "Assistant Tormentor" evoked shouts of mirth. It is convenient here to mention that Mr. G. D. Leys's make-up as the Assistant Tormentor was somewhat overdone in repulsiveness; it struck a false note in contrast with the graceful winsomeness of Phœbe. Mr. Leys over-acted his part at times, especially in regard to tone of voice and attitudes, but on the whole he gave a very creditable performance.

Mrs. Collett's singing as Elsie was a brilliant success. She possesses a magnificent voice, with good compass and volume and last night her powers were at their best. Several fine songs are included in the part, and in all of them Mrs. Collett distinguished herself. As Jack Point, Mr. J. S. Gillingham's highest capabilities were undoubtedly manifested from an acting point of view. Either he had a cold or nature has not endowed him with a singing voice of more than average quality. However, as an actor, Mr. Gillingham deserves the highest praise. He gave a distinguished performance throughout but put his own earlier efforts in the shade by the manner in which he carried through the dramatic scene at the finale when he gives a pathetic representation of the sorrows of the deserted lover. It was no easy matter to maintain this scene without over-acting or descent to bathos and "Jack Point," in avowing these pitfalls, deservedly received a special ovation from the enthusiastic audience as the curtain finally descended.

Mr. D. M. Richards, as Colonel Fairfax, had an important part, which he supported well. His make-up and costume before he adopted the disguise of a Yeoman of the Guard was admirable: afterwards the effect was somewhat that of a masquerader in a historical costume. The Sergeant seemed to need either a wig or headgear of the period to repress that touch of modernity which present day tonsorial methods imparted. Mr. G. H. Piercy, as the Sergeant of the Guard gave a solid, capable performance and sang well, having a resonant, clear-toned baritone voice combined with good enunciation. Mrs. Neil Mathieson, as Dame Carruthers, maintained a high level of acting every time she appeared and distinguished herself in the song "When our gallant Norman foes." (Though why the Sergeant should step forward and shake her by the hand between each verse it was difficult to understand. This, it is suggested might be cut out).

Comparatively minor parts were upheld by Mr. A. P. Glanville, as the Lieutenant of the Tower; Mr. H. G. Anniss, as Leonard Meryll; Mr. T. Barnfather, as the Headsman; Mr. J. W. Jefford, as First Yeoman; Mr. A. J. J. Brock, as Second Yeoman; Mr. D. Trafford and Mr. A. V. Sanders as citizens; and Mrs. D. J. Brown as Dame Carruthers' niece. These all played their parts well and contributed, each in their degree, to the success of the piece.

The chief honours of the evening fell to Mr. Stanley Collett, the musical director, whose skilful leadership did so much to ensure a triumphant success; and to Mr. W. G. Wheller whose skilful and arduous work as producer were indirectly manifested by the smoothness of the performance and the high degree of skill exhibited by the performers. Mrs. Thompson, also, rendered invaluable assistance by her sympathetic and able accompaniments at the piano.

The opening overture hardly gives the orchestra an opportunity of showing its powers to best advantage, but the instrumentalists played their part well throughout the evening.

The less prominent but none the less essential participators were the following:—

CHORUS OF YEOMEN OF THE GUARD.—Messrs. Best, Brown, Griggs, Hamer, Hancock, Longyear, Mills, Oliphant, Penny, Smith, Thomas and Williams.

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ASSISTANT HEADSMEN.—Messrs. Phillips and Marshall.

The Orchestra which included, by permission of Lt.-Col. F. S. Montague Bates, members of the Band of the 1st Battn. East Surrey Regiment, comprised the following: Mrs. G. E. Aubrey, Miss E. I. Box, Miss M. Joy, Mrs. F. A. Griggs, Messrs. W. C. Abrams, R.N., J. L. Alves, J. M. S. Rosario and C. A. P. Xavier (violins); Miss J. Braga (viola); Mr. N. U. Botelho and Mr. S. Paul ('cellos); Mr. P. N. Sequeira (double bass); Mrs. J. S. Thompson (pianist); Bandsman Briffit (flute); Bandsman Miles (oboe); Bandsman Donovan (clarionet); Bandsman Stiling (bassoon); Bandsman Hannan (coronet); Bandsman Mackleworth (horn); Lance-Corporal Johnson (trombone); Bandsman Newell (tympani).

Mr. P. W. F. Mills and Mrs. J. Hancock performed the arduous duties of hon. secretary and treasurer respectively.

The performances of the Opera are to be continued to-morrow and during Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday next week, when no doubt the Society will receive the encouragement and support which its distinguished and delightful performance deserves.

A.P.C. THREATENED.

BANDITS DEMAND $2,000 FROM SAM SHUI BRANCH.

The Hongkong branch of the Asiatic Petroleum Company have received information that a letter has been sent to their Sam Shui branch, conveying a threat that if the sum of $2,000 is not paid over to-day, the establishment at Sam Shui will be burned to the ground.

The threat adds that failing the required payment, "the bones of the employees will be ground to dust."

A *Daily Press* representative who made enquiries at the Hongkong Office yesterday evening obtained confirmation of the reception of the threatening letter, apparently written by local bandits at Sam Shui branch, but was told that the head office was not in any way disquieted by the affair, as such communications were of fairly frequent occurrence.

A report which reached the Colony that H.M.S. *Moth* had been despatched to Sam Shui to stand by, could not be confirmed at the A.P.C.'s Head Office in Hongkong.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

The following matches in the Hongkong League are down for decision to-day:—

Division I.

Kick-off, 4 p.m.

Hongkong Club *v.* Kowloon.—H.K.F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

East Surrey Regt. *v.* Hongkong Police.—Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Spencer.

South China "A" *v.* H.M.S. *Tamar*.—Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Mr. Smith, R.A.

Division II.

Kick-off, 2.30 p.m.

South China "A" *v.* Hongkong Club Reserves.—Hongkong Club ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

Club de Recreio "A" *v.* South China "B."—Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Spencer.

St. Joseph's "A" *v.* Sacred Heart.—St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Tovey.

Club de Recreio "B" *v.* St. Joseph's "B."—Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Greer.

East Surrey's Drums *v.* Kowloon Res.—Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Mr. Marfeet.

East Surrey's Res. *v.* University.—South China ground. Referee: Mr. Ford.

The game on the Club ground between Kowloon and the Hongkong Club should attract a large number of followers. A very even game should be seen. Both teams will be at full strength and scoring should be low. The Club won at Kowloon in the first game, and should Jones be in form to-day they are expected to just get home.

The Surreys travel to Kowloon and should return with the points. Mitchell was absent from the Army trials in mid-week, but is expected to take his place in the team to-day. The Surreys will leave nothing to chance, for their meeting with the South China "A" next Saturday will probably settle the league positions for this season. The Police will give the soldiers a good game. Clarke in goal will be severely tested, and this will probably enhance his reputation as a goalkeeper and secure for him his place against Shanghai in the coming Interport game.

The game on the Garrison ground at Sookunpoo between the South China "A" and *Tamar* will attract the usual crowd of Chinese while the sailors will be out in full force to support the *Tamar* team. The League leaders are almost certain to win. The *Tamar*, although a very strong team, are lacking in combination chiefly through constant changes in their forward line.

In the Junior League the University will be out after two-weeks rest and will find the Surreys Reserves a strong combination. The soldiers should win.

Club de Recreio "A" are still in the running with the League leaders and they should have an easy win to-day against South China "B," should the latter make the trip across the harbour.

A very even game should be witnessed on the Club ground, and unless South China improve on last week's form they will find the Club just take the points.

St. Joseph's "A" should defeat the Sacred Heart on the College ground.

The second teams of St. Joseph's and Club de Recreio meet on the Navy "A" ground and a win for the St. Joseph's team is expected.

At Sookunpoo the Kowloon Reserves meet the East Surrey's Drums and the result is likely to be in doubt until the final whistle sounds. The Drums will not be at full strength while Kowloon are turning out a couple of military players who took part in the Army Trials.

GOLF AT SHANGHAI.

In the St. George's *v.* St. Andrew's golf match, at Shanghai, St. Andrew's Society beat St. George's by six points, thus acquiring the Prentice Cup for the next six months.

HOCKEY NOTES.

[BY "SHORT CORNER."]

The game between Shameen and the H.K.H.C. was played under almost ideal conditions. The weather was warm, but the sun was sufficiently high to obviate any trouble over the state of the light.

Taking into consideration the conditions under which hockey has to be played in Canton, and the fewness of the players available, our visitors put up a remarkable fight, as is shown by there being no score at half-time. The final score of two goals to *nil* for the H.K.H.C. represented a victory narrower by far than had been, perhaps, anticipated by either side, and the stout defence of Dwane, Talbot and Cadman deserves all possible credit. Lay, too, worked his hardest throughout the game, and could generally be found to be the origin of what serious attacks upon the Club goal were made.

The game contained no striking incidents, and if most of the play took place in Shameen's half of the field that was, I imagine, only what they expected, and as up to half way through the second half of the game there seemed a very good chance of their making it a draw, which would have been regarded by a great many people as a moral victory in the circumstances, they were fighting hard up to the final whistle and an extremely enjoyable match resulted.

The tiffin held in our visitors' honour by kind permission of the U.S.R.C. was well attended and put a final seal upon the cordiality of the meeting. It is to be hoped that we shall see Shameen playing hockey here again.

(*Continued on next Column*).

SENSATIONAL GAOL RUMOUR.

STORY OF CONVICTS' BID FOR LIBERTY.

SAID TO HAVE DUG A TUNNEL.

A strong rumour of a daring and carefully-conceived attempt at escape from Victoria Gaol by a number of convicts, gained circulation in Hongkong yesterday.

It remained, of necessity, a rumour, for the authorities adopted an attitude of complete secrecy, and refused to answer any questions on the subject.

The story which went round was to the effect that several prisoners were discovered in time to prevent their escape by means of a tunnel which they were digging as an exit from the prison.

In reply to enquiries by a *Daily Press* representative yesterday afternoon, Mr. J. W. Franks, Superintendent of Victoria Gaol, said "I am sorry that I can give you no information whatever."

Meanwhile, it is presumable that if the rumour had been without foundation, the authorities would not have hesitated to deny it.

EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURS' QUARREL.

GODOWN DISPUTE SETTLED IN CHAMBERS.

Mr. Kenneth George Blair and Mr. Cecil H. Perry, who appeared in the Summary Court on Monday morning, in an action over the possession of a godown in the rear of their residence at No. 13c, MacDonnell Road, were again present at the Court yesterday.

The Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) had adjourned the case with a view to a settlement being reached, and when the parties appeared in Court yesterday morning he asked what obstacle there was to a settlement.

Mr. Macnamara (for the plaintiff) and Mr. Webster (for the defendant) said that the parties could not agree.

His Lordship said he understood that the defendant, Mr. Perry, was willing to allow the plaintiff use of a portion of the godown for the storage of furniture at his own risk, but no washing or amah work was to be done there. He suggested that a curtain might be put up or a white paint line drawn.

When His Lordship asked about washing and ironing Mr. Webster pointed out that the objection to ironing was that a charcoal iron was used, and his client was afraid of fire. His client had no objection to the other party drying clothes in the godown in the wet weather, but as regards this there was a proper drying place adjoining the house.

The parties then left the Court, and the Press were later informed that the matter had been settled in Chambers.

FIRE IN KO SING STREET.

$20,000 DAMAGE DONE TO PREMISES.

Fire broke out about 4.30 a.m. yesterday morning in a three-floored building used as a wine merchants' shop and dwellings in Ko Sing Street, and the Hongkong Brigade were called from the Hollywood alarm.

The Brigade were soon on the scene, and with the aid of one motor pump and two hydrants managed to subdue the flames by about 6.30. The premises were badly damaged.

It is now stated that damage to the extent of $20,000 was caused before the fire was extinguished, and that the property was insured for $20,000. The origin of the fire is said to have been a defective electric circuit.

The H.K.H.C. game against the Submarine Flotilla on Wednesday was disappointing from one point of view. There is an element of chance in every goal scored in hockey, but the Club forwards, unfortunately and unavoidably playing without Evans, it is true, seemed fatally inclined to wait for moral certainties, with the result that the bustling tactics of the Naval defence met with complete success. Rutherford's goal for the Submarines, on the contrary, was scored by shooting just when a second's respite from the attentions of the Club defence made a shot possible. Sim's play on the left wing must be judged after making all allowances for his being without a wing man and opposed by a sound half, and as far as the remaining forwards, Woodward, Hett and More, are concerned it is most difficult to lay a finger right upon the weakness: all that can be said is that there is something wanting to make the forward line as effective as the individual play of each man would suggest, and this something may be found to lie in the direction of shooting at goal itself. Rutherford's goal was the only goal scored during the game, which was fast and full of clean hard hitting from the commencement.

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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 13TH, 1924.

A CHINESE "JUDICIAL OUTRAGE."

THE Peking cable reporting that a Joint Note is being sent to Marshal CHANG TSO-LIN by the Legations of the United States, Great Britain, Japan and France, appealing to the Marshal's sense of justice and humanity in the matter of the Russian ex-officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway, is interesting for a double reason. While it is noteworthy as a condemnation of Chinese judicial methods, it also indicates that the Legations are not yet prepared to recognise the Government in Peking as being in effective control of the affairs of the whole nation. A Note of this description from the Legations obviously recognises Marshal CHANG TSO-LIN as controlling Manchuria, not merely in the military sense but as exercising authority over all branches of the administration. Incidentally, the action of the Legations is a striking commentary on claims recently made by Dr. SUN YAT SEN that foreigners had no reasonable grounds to apprehend that in the matter of judicial administration they would suffer by the abolition of extra-territoriality. His statement was not made precisely in these terms, but that was the general sense of it, for he pointed to the fact that the Germans and the Russians in China are now subject to the judicial administration of China. The circumstances in the case of these Russian Railway officials are that, following upon the conclusion of a convention in regard to the Chinese Eastern Railway made between the Russian Ambassador in Peking and Marshal CHANG TSO-LIN, a new directorate was sent out from Moscow to take the management out of the hands of the "White" Russians who had hitherto been in charge of the line. The new directors arrived at Harbin on October 3rd. A meeting of the old Board of Management was summoned the same morning and an order from Mukden was read by a Chinese official, dismissing them. The members thereupon walked out without a single word of protest, for protest in the circumstances would have been useless. An hour later a meeting of the new Board was convened, and later in the day it became known that M. OSTROUMOFF, who for many years had been the General Manager of the line, and M. GOUDATTI, Head of the Land Department, had been arrested and that other officials were being sought for by the police. When the Consular Body at Harbin learnt of the arrests it made friendly representations to the principal Mukden official (Chinese) in Harbin. It has been reported that they pointed out the deplorable effect the outrage would have on opinion abroad, especially when it became known that no charges had been made against the high officials of the Railway, and the Consuls volunteered their good offices in devising other measures if the purpose of the Authorities was to ensure that the arrested officials should not flee from Harbin. But these efforts proved of no avail. The arrested officials were kept under close arrest and were not allowed to communicate with their friends. A third official, M. MICHAILOFF, surrendered himself to the Police the following morning, "because of the fact that his wife had been placed under arrest in her home." These officials have been kept in solitary confinement ever since without a definite indictment being brought against them or the promise of a trial. Presumably they are held in connection with allegations of extensive corruption in connection with the Railway, that have been under investigation, since the arrests, by a Special Commission. No indication was given when these officials were dismissed from their posts that they were suspected of having robbed the railway of great sums of money; it was explained that they were dismissed because their retention did not fit in with the future plans of the new authorities. Ten weeks or more have elapsed since their arrest, and they are still in solitary confinement, without a definite charge being preferred against them or any promise of an early trial. M. OUSTROUMOFF's health is now reported to have been "undermined by rigorous treatment." "Red" Russians probably gloat over the mental tortures of the solitary confinement of these "White" Russians. The Soviet Ambassador at Peking is not moved by any sentiments of "humanity and justice" to make friendly representations to the Chinese authorities on their behalf, and so, we take it, their friends have been driven to appeal to the Foreign Ministers at Peking, whose humanity and sense of justice have moved them to seek some relief from the intolerable position in which these men are placed. Whether the effort will succeed we cannot tell, but incidentally the whole incident adds one more to the number of recent specific cases which illustrate the contention that China's laws and the arrangements for their administration are not yet such as to warrant the abolition of extra-territorial jurisdiction by the Foreign Powers in China.

The Shanghai Race Club this year has distributed $273,000 to charitable institutions.

Booking for "Saint Joan" open on Monday next at 9 a.m., at the Anderson Music Store.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Frederick Percy Franklin, of the Peak Hotel, and Miss Gladys Livingston Murdoch, of the Victoria Hospital.

In the Share market yesterday Cement shares were a sensation for about half an hour and quotations went up to $26. But the official quotation to-day is $25.

The Captain Superintendent of Police (the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe) returned to the Colony from Canton on the s.s. *Fatshan* which arrived in the early hours of yesterday morning.

Master Dunenberg, the 7-year-old pianist, son of Prof. Dunenberg, will be giving two recitals in Manila during Xmas week, and will also appear again in Hongkong on January 8th at the City Hall.

About 5 o'clock last night, a Chinese passenger on the Star ferry either fell or jumped from the lower deck, in the middle of the harbour. The ferry was stopped, and cruised around, but the body was not recovered.

A message dated December 11th from the master of the s.s. *Baker Maru*, which has been posted up at the Harbour Office, states that a large piece of wreckage from a junk was passed at 9 a.m. on the 11th, in Lat. 20 40 N., Long. 113-50 E.

We learnt that all the students of the Canton Christian College who were on the launch seized by pirates early in the week have been released, thanks of the efforts made by General Li Fook Lam, who is known to be well disposed towards the College.

An armed robbery took place at No. 70, Laichikok Road on Thursday morning, five men entering the premises. Two of the men produced revolvers and two had daggers. The robbers made off with clothing, money and other property to the value of $150.

Cheung Chat, 19, residing at 12, Yee Chow Street, reported that yesterday a man called Lau Yuk Ting came for a cup of tea, and, after leaving, returned with other men, armed with daggers and revolvers. Cheung was gagged and robbed of clothing valued at $93.

The plea that he stole the blanket in order to keep himself warm was put forward by a Chinese who appeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning charged with stealing a blanket from a Lance-Corporal in Whitfield Barracks. He was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

We regret that there was an inaccuracy in our report of Mr. Davidson's speech for the defence in the recent conspiracy charge against certain clerks in the employ of Messrs. Hastings, Dennys and Bowley. His comment on Mr. Webster's evidence was that "a jury would be bound to accept Mr. Webster's evidence."

It was reported from Tientsin on the 5th inst. that Dr. Sun Yat Sen was ill and weak with abdominal trouble and had had a slight fainting spell. His departure for Peking had to be postponed for several days. In his telegram to Marshal Tuan Chi Jui to this effect, Dr. Sun officially recognised Tuan's dictatorship by addressing him as "Chi Cheng."

An armed robbery was reported yesterday by Shau Yau and Li Sau, married men, residing at 361, Canton Road. Whilst waiting in the passage with other inmates, they were held up by 5 men, who entered saying they were looking for a bricklayer. The intruders produced revolvers and daggers, gagged the inmates, and stole jewellery and effects, together with $270 in cash.

Mr. W. Lowther Kemp bade farewell to Singapore, last week, after a long residence and very active business and public life in the East. He will be missed on the Legislative Council, where, as representative of the Chamber of Commerce, he brought the power of a keen mind and a wide experience to bear on all the questions discussed. Mr. Kemp proposes to make a very interesting tour through Burma, India, Africa and Egypt before settling down in England.

At the funeral of the late Mr. A. E. Reynell at Shanghai last week, the pall-bearers who carried the coffin to the grave side were:—Mr. A. Brooke Smith, Mr. G. W. Shepherd, Mr. F. P. Lachlan, Mr. E. A. Mackay, Mr. P. W. O. Liddell and Mr. A. K. Craddock. Many representative members of the community were present, including Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. C. E. Geddes, Mr. G. H. Wright, Mr. B. S. F. McBain, Mr. P. A. Cox, Mr. R. I. Fearon, Mr. N. E. Cornish, Mr. G. Tolson, Mr. S. B. M. Bremner, Mr. G. A. Turner, Mr. G. H. Purcell and many others.

Mystery, says a Manila paper, surrounds the death of Walter Henry Pierce, 61, a British subject, manager of Carlos Young's estate in San Pedro Tunasan, who was found dead on the railroad track near the station at San Pedro Tunasan. Whether he was struck by an engine while he was walking along the track, or whether he was the victim of foul play had not been determined last night. Constabulary are investigating. It is understood that he had enemies among labourers in the municipality, and by some persons his death is attributed to revenge.

FIREMAN STABBED TO DEATH.

FATAL QUARREL ON JAPANESE SHIP.

A story of a quarrel at sea which resulted in a fireman being stabbed to death was related by the master of the s.s. *Ceribon Maru*, of the N.Y.K. Line, which arrived in port yesterday from Balik Papan.

The ship left Borneo on December 2nd, and a quarrel took place four days later between two firemen. One of the men, Takahashi by name, produced a dagger and stabbed the other, who died soon after the men had been separated.

The unfortunate victim of the affair was buried at sea, whilst Takahashi is being kept in close custody on the ship and is to be handed over to the Japanese police when the vessel reaches Moji.

BUS CONDUCTOR'S ABUSIVE LANGUAGE.

INTERPRETER ORDERED OUT OF COURT.

A case in which a bus conductor was alleged to have used abusive language to Mr. F. O. Gourdin was heard at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning before Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

An Inspector employed by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, gave evidence, and said that defendant did not use abusive language at all. After being spoken to by Mr. Gourdin, all he did was to go to the rear of the bus and grumble to himself.

Mr. Gourdin said that he wished to point out to His Worship that the witness had said in evidence that defendant used the Chinese curse "May all your family be extinguished," but the interpreter had failed to interpret that in the Court.

His Worship (addressing the interpreter): Did the witness say that? You know it is of vital importance to the case and you did not interpret it.

The interpreter replied emphatically: I did sir, I certainly did.

His Worship (sharply): Don't speak to me like that. Leave the Court.

Another interpreter was called, and His Worship said that in view of possible provocation caused by Mr. Gourdin in speaking to the conductor, he would only impose a fine of $2. Mr. Gourdin, in trying to prevent the man from sounding his whistle loudly, was doing a wrong thing, as this was necessary.

CARELESS TRUCK DRIVER SMARTLY FINED.

KNOCKS OVER TWO RICKSHAS WITH EUROPEAN FARES.

Mr. S. L. Hidden appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning as complainant when a Chinese was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton on two counts, (*a*) driving his truck negligently in Salisbury Road on November 28th, and (*b*) driving it on a road not permitted by his licence, on the same date.

Although the defendant pleaded guilty to both charges, His Worship intimated his wish to hear evidence before sentencing the man.

Mr. Hidden, in the witness-box, stated that at 9 p.m. on the day in question, he and his wife were going along Nathan Road in two rickshas on their way to the Star Ferry. His wife was in the leading ricksha. Just as they were about to turn into Salisbury Road, the defendant, who was driving his truck in the rear of the ricksha, sounded his horn. The ricksha coolies, thinking that the vehicle behind was a motor-bus, at once pulled in to the left, but defendant also turned to the left into Salisbury Road, and collided with Mr. Hidden's ricksha. "It was very fortunate that the coolie was not killed," added the witness.

Continuing his evidence, Mr. Hidden stated that the truck proceeded on its way, and next collided with his wife's ricksha which it knocked into the gutter. There was no other traffic in the road at the time, so that there could be possible excuse for the defendant's conduct.

The Magistrate commented strongly on the offence, and the grave consequences which might have resulted from it, and imposed a fine of $50, with one month's hard labour in default.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen is reported by the *Shanghai Journal of Commerce* to have decided definitely to proceed, with his wife, to Russia at the end of this month. This report appears to confirm another which appeared in the *North-China Daily News* when Dr. Sun and his party left Shanghai, that Dr. Sun would go to Moscow. After a prolonged visit to Russia, Dr. and Mrs. Sun will tour other countries in Europe and America and will return to China *vid* Japan, the trip to last about 18 months. The report states that Dr. Suns hopes, at the time he returns to see China in a state of unity, peace and prosperity. Dr. Sun, according to another report, has agreed with Marshal Chang Tso Lin not to interfere with present-day politics because they have both signified their willingness to support Marshal Tuan.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S WISH.

HOPES FOR AMITY BETWEEN OLD ALLIES.

ROME, December 12th.

Prior to leaving Rome, Mr. Chamberlain sent a message to Reuter's special correspondent, saying that he was profoundly moved by the gracious reception by high personages, and the cordial welcome by Signor Mussolini, of his Government.

He appreciated the great kindness shown him on every hand, and his sympathy for Italy was strengthened, and his respect for the League of Nations, and confidence in its future, increased.

His conversations with Signor Mussolini and M. Herriot were conducted in the spirit of the League. They attempted no ready-made solution of great problems which only time, patience, and goodwill could resolve, but they sought to develop points of agreement, and to remove difficulties, so that the three nations might retain in times of peace that close friendship and perfect understanding which united them in war.

THE GENEVA PROTOCOL.

MUSSOLINI SAYS NEEDS VERY CAREFUL STUDY.

ROME, December 12th.

Speaking in the Senate Signor Mussolini expressed the opinion that the Geneva Protocol should be studied very carefully because of its delicate character and the undertakings it involved.

AN AUSTRALIAN INQUIRY.

MELBOURNE, December 12th.

Mr. Bruce has cabled to Mr. Amery (Colonial Secretary), inquiring whether the reports of Sir Esme Howard's speech at New York supporting the Geneva Protocol are correct.

[The summary cabled by Reuter to Hongkong read:—"Sir Esme Howard, the British Ambassador, in a speech at the banquet of the English Speaking Union frankly discussed the Geneva Protocol and intimated that Britain might go farther in co-operation with other European Powers than the United States would wish to go, in order to bring about a condition of confidence leading up to disarmament and peace, but that "this should not be construed as implying any possibility of a clash between the two great English-speaking Powers, which possibility the other nations of the world must really learn to consider, as we already consider it, as one thing we will neither admit nor endure."]

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

MEDICAL EXPERTS LAY DOWN THE LAW.

GENEVA, December 12th.

The Sub-Committee of medical, pharmaceutical and statistical experts attached to the second Opium Conference decided to recommend a stricter control of the consumption of heroin, but not its total suppression, as urged by the American delegation.

The sub-committee also approved the figures submitted by the hygiene committee of the League of Nations laying down 450 milligrammes of opium and seven milligrammes of cocain yearly per head of the population as the maximum necessary for medical and scientific purposes in countries possessing a well-developed medical service.

AIR RECORDS BROKEN.

FRENCHMAN BEATS ALL PREVIOUS SPEEDS.

PARIS, December 12th.

The aviator Bonnet broke the world's speed record over a six kilometers base, with a speed of 449 kilometers. The previous record was held by Williams of the United States, with a speed of 429 kilometers.—*Havas.*

WAR DEBTS.

STATEMENT BY FRENCH MINISTER OF FINANCE.

PARIS, December 12th.

Press reports regarding the inclusion of the Dawes plan in the American war claims have elicited a statement by the Finance Minister that the Franco-American conversations on October 25th recognised the principle of such claims, but no figure was mentioned. The whole question will be submitted to the inter-Allied Conference of Finance Ministers. Anyhow there is no question of the American claim being treated more expeditiously than the French.

ITALIAN PREMIER ON THE SUBJECT.

ROME, December 12th.

In the debate in the Senate on the Foreign estimates, Signor Mussolini, referring to debts and reparations said it was neither human nor just to grant facilities to Germany and not to the Allies. He hinted at the possibility of Italy asking for an increase in the percentage allowed to her at the Spa Conference on German reparations.

EARLIER CABLES.

INTER-ALLIED DEBTS.

MR. CHURCHILL'S STATEMENT ACCEPTED BY U.S.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

It is officially announced that the United States Treasury has accepted Mr. Churchill's statement on the inter-Allied debts as being both obvious and logical.

It is not intended to make any further comment on the matter.

POLAND'S WAR DEBT TO BRITAIN.

TO BE CONSOLIDATED.

WARSAW, December 11th.

Poland has agreed to consolidate her war debt of £1,500,000 to Great Britain on the same terms as the latter obtained in settling her debt to the United States.

The agreement does not entail any guarantees on State property.

It is announced that British financial groups are acquiring important interests in, *inter alia*, banks, sugar refineries, and in the exploitation of the State forests.

British interests are negotiating as regards the capitalisation of the oil and textile industries and the construction of railroads.

GERMAN CABINET'S DECISION.

BERLIN, December 11th.

The Cabinet to-day decided to resign at the beginning of next week.

Herr Marx, interviewed, expressed the opinion that the composition of the new Reichstag suggested the possibility of a continuance of Germany's foreign policy.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

LONDON, December 11th.

The Board of Trade returns for the month of November shows imports were £118,740,228, and exports £68,150,816, being decreases compared with the October returns, respectively, of £1,718,100 and £135,822.

ADDITIONAL HIGH COURT JUDGES.

PARLIAMENT SANCTIONS APPOINTMENT OF TWO.

LONDON, December 11th.

Both Houses of Parliament have passed a resolution in favour of the appointment of two additional Judges to the King's Bench Division in order to deal with the arrears of legal business, which has become a feature of the Courts in recent years.

"NOWSHERA" REPAIRED.

LONDON, December 11th.

A message from Liverpool states that the *Nowshera* has had her damaged plates repaired and has proceeded on her voyage.

RUGBY.

ALL BLACKS AGAIN WIN.

LONDON, December 11th.

At Coventry, in fine weather and before 22,000 spectators, the All Blacks defeated Warwickshire by 20 points to *nil*.

THE AUSTRALIAN WATERSIDE DISPUTE.

MELBOURNE, December 11th.

Mr. Bruce declares that the prospects of a settlement of the waterside dispute are considerably brighter, as the shipowners have withdrawn the threat that they would challenge the jurisriction of the arbitration court.

Mr. Bruce has convened a conference of shipowenrs and the waterside federation delegates, to meet as early as possible.

LATEST CABLES.

[*REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.*]

MR. GOMPERS' ILLNESS.

CONDITION GRAVE, BUT HOPES FOR RECOVERY.

NEW YORK, December 12th.

Reports of Mr. Gompers' death are incorrect, though he is seriously ill with heart trouble. The doctors hope to save him if he survives the train journey to the United States from Mexico City where he has been attending a Labour Conference.

EARLIER CABLES.

LIQUOR TREATIES.

U.S. TREATIES WITH CANADA, FRANCE, NETHERLANDS AND PANAMA.

WASHINGTON, December 11th.

The Senate foreign relations committee has reported on the prohibition treaties with Canada, France, the Netherlands and Panama.

The Canadian pact provides that a clearance will be denied to vessels carrying liquor or narcotics when there is evidence that they are unable to convey these cargoes to the destinations named in their papers

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.

STATEMENT BY THE FIRST LORD.

LONDON, December 11th.

In the House of Commons, Sir Newton Moore asked what amount had been expended on the plans for enlarging the Singapore base, and what amount was necessary to complete the scheme, and whether it was contemplated that Australia and New Zealand should contribute.

Mr. Wm. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, replied that £90,500 had been expended. The original estimate amounted to £11,000,000, which was spread over nine years. He recalled that Australia and New Zealand had expressed a willingness to contribute before the plans were suspended. While their contributions would still be welcome, it would be necessary for their Governments to review the matter in the light of their present financial commitments on naval defence, and it would be premature to forecast their decision.

AN AUSTRALIAN STATEMENT.

MELBOURNE, December 11th.

Mr. Bruce has issued a statement, in consequence of the recent expenditure on defence schemes, that Parliament must first consider Australia's contribution in connection with the Singapore case.

JAPAN AND SINGAPORE.

RESENTMENT EXPRESSED AGAINST PROPOSED BASE.

TOKYO, December 12th.

The announcement of the decision to proceed with the Singapore base has re-intensified Press comments against the scheme, which, with the American naval manœuvres in 1925, has been a constant topic of discussion for several weeks past.

The view is practically unanimous that the construction of the Base will be more productive of harm than good, because it is contrary to the spirit, if not the letter of the Washington agreements, and is likely to create misunderstandings, and to once again promote the armaments race.

The *Jiji*, while recognising that Singapore is purely a British domestic concern, draws attention to the possibility of misunderstanding on the part of the Japanese, who despite the absence of an alliance, always regard Great Britain with respect and friendship.

The *Chugai* is of opinion that the alleged reason for the base—namely the defence of Australia—is unjustifiable in view of the Washington Quadruple Agreement, which renders Australia immune from attack.

The *Kokumin* declares that Japan will have to modify her defence policy, while the *Yamato* asserts that the Base nullifies the naval ratios agreed on at Washington to ensure the safety of Japan.

SIAM'S FINANCIAL ADVISER.

LONDON, December 11th.

Sir E. M. Cook has been appointed financial adviser to the Government of Siam.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

BRITAIN'S SHARE OF CHINA INDEMNITY.

BILL INTRODUCED IN PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, December 11th.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Ronald McNeill introduced the China Indemnity (Applications) Bill, which was read a first time.

RUBBER RESTRICTION.

NO REQUEST BY COLONIAL GOVERNMENTS FOR ITS ABOLITION.

LONDON, December 11th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Lane Mitchell, who asked if there was *any* prospect of the removal of the rubber restriction in Malaya and Ceylon, Mr. L. C. S. Amery, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said that he had received no representations from the Governments of those territories suggesting that any such action was advisable at present.

UNITED STATES NAVY TO BE STRENGTHENED.

WASHINGTON, December 11th.

The Senate has passed the Navy Bill, authorising a hundred and ten million dollar programme, including the building of eight cruisers, and the reconditioning of six battleships.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HU CHING YI ADVANCES.

WU PEI FU ATTEMPTS FLIGHT TO HANKOW.

HANKOW, December 12th.

Hu Ching Yi commenced advancing southward on the Kin-Han Railway, from Chengchow on Thursday, and arrived at Yencheng at five o'clock this morning. Wu Pei Fu's troops are partially in flight, and partially have gone over to Hu Ching Yi.

Wu Pei Fu on Thursday night left for Chikungshan in an attempt to reach Hankow but was stopped by Hupeh troops and is now believed to be at Likintsai. Hu Ching Yi declared his intention to round up all the troops in Honan, and march on Hankow if necessary.

DISMISSAL OF MARSHAL CHI.

MANDATES DISMISSING EIGHT DIVISIONS OF CHIHLI TROOPS.

PEKING, December 12th.

New mandates dismiss Chi Hsieh Yuan from the post of Kiangsu Tuchun and abolish that post; appoint Han Kuo Chun as Civil Governor and concurrently Tupan of Kiangsu; Lu Yung Siang as Pacification Commissioner of Kiangsu and Anhui; disband eight Chihli Divisions and six Chihli Mixed Brigades.

LATER.

A mandate appointing General Li Lieh Chun Tupan of Military Affairs in Kiangsi is expected shortly.

THE SITUATION AT KAIFENG.

KAIFENG, December 12th.

Hu Ching Yi reached Kaifeng from Chengchow on thue 11th inst. and has taken over general charge of military affairs.

WU PEI FU'S TROOPS LOOTING TOWNS.

SHANGHAI, December 12th.

A telegram from Hankow states that about forty thousand of Wu Pei Fu's troops are between Chengchow and Suchow on the Pe-Han line. They have looted several towns.

THE PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY.

SHANGHAI, December 12th.

The Hankow Chinese Chamber of Commerce has telegraphed to Marshal Tuan Chi Jui urging the early restoration of normal traffic on the Pe-Han Railway, the dislocation of which is causing serious loss to merchants.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

CHANG STILL CONTROLS MANCHURIA.

PEKING, December 11th.

Three mandates were issued at midnight, the first of which abolishes the posts of Inspector-General throughout China, and the second states that Tuan Chi Jui had received a telegram from Chang Tso Lin, dated December 8th, saying that "since the inauguration of the Republic, when the Tutuhs were appointed as provincial rulers, the military authority had gradually extended, until it had become wholly superior to the civil authority. In recent years, the people strongly advocated the abolition of the Tuchun system and the disbandment of the troops. Indeed, the people have shown grave dissatisfaction with the military domination. That the will of the people in this matter bears upon the fundamental remedy for the present situation none can deny, and the Chief Executive, therefore, is urged to abolish the rank and position of Inspector-General as a blow at the root of the military system."

On the day that Chang Tso Lin sent this telegram to Peking, he voluntarily gave up his post of Inspector-General.

The same mandate goes on to say that the Chief Executive has carefully studied the above memorial, finding that it is wholly commendable. It is perfectly true that the military authority has become superior to the civil authority, and as it extended civil strife had been created. Chang Tso Lin in well acquainted with the origin of the present confusion, and he has come forward as an example which *ought to be followed*, and his request is approved. The post of inspector-General in the Three Eastern Provinces is thus abolished, but, taking into consideration the facts that Manchuria has the Mongolian tribes just over the border, that the Chinese Eastern Railway runs through that territory, and that both matters have an important bearing on the national defence, the military affairs of these provinces must remain under the supreme control of Chang Tso Lin.

The third mandate appoints Chang Tso Lin Tupan of Military and Rehabilitation Affairs, in Fengtien, and Wu Chun Sheng and Chang Tso Hsiang Tupahs of Military Affairs in Heilung Kiang and Kiung and Kirin, respectively.

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LATER.

It seems there is a better prospect of overcoming the tense situation hitherto existing between Chang Tso Lin and Tuan Chi Jui on the one hand and Feng Yu Hsiang and Sun Yat Sen on the other. Chang Tso Lin and Feng Yu Hsiang have each been waiting for the other to get out, but Chang Tso Lin's cancellation of the title of his expeditionary army and his later surrender of his post of Inspector-General has forced Fen Yu Hsiang to follow suit or precipitate a clash.

Feng Yu Hsiang has now sent a third letter of resignation, and he has cancelled the title of his forces, namely the People's Army.

Tuan Chi Jui is still adhering to his policy of refusing Feng Yu Hsiang's resignation, and has issued a Chihling mandate to that effect, but granting Feng Yu Hsiang a month's sick leave, after which Feng Yu Hsiang is instructed to resume his duties.

It is reported that Feng Yu Hsiang intends to visit Japan within a month accompanised by Huang Fu, and it is stated semi-officially that the Government will offer Feng Yu Hsiang the title of Commissioner to study military affairs abroad.

Meanwhile, Chang Tso Lin announces that probably it will be necessary for him to remain in Tientsin another week.

"BLUE EXPRESS" RESUMES.

PEKING, December 11th.

Beginning next week, it is expected that the "Blue Express" will run twice weekly, resuming the daily service the following week.

SOUTH TROOPS CAPTURE KANCHOW.

A report from Shiukwan, says the *Canton Times*, states that troops of the Northern Expedition captured and occupied Kanchow in Kiangsi province on the 9th inst. General Fang Pun Yin, an ally of the Southern forces, has reached a place about 100 *li* from Nanchang, the capital of the province. The forces of the Northern Expedition are proceeding northward with Nanchang as their objective.

Tsai Chen Hsun, Tuchun of Kiangsi, has left Nanchang and fled to Hupeh. Hereafter, the progress of the forces of the Northern Expedition will be more rapid and it is expected that the Southern troops will reach Nanchang before the end of the month.

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

NOTES OF THE CENTRAL BANK FOR SALARIES.

By order of the acting Generalissimo of the Red Army Headquarters in Canton, payment of salary in all civil and military departments of the Kuomintang *régime* will henceforth be made in bank-notes of the Central Bank recently founded by Dr. Sun Yat Sen. Dr. Sun's bank was organized last August and is issuing $10,000,000 unsecured paper money in denominations of $1, $5, $10, $100, and $500. Mr. T. V. Soong, a brother-in-law of Dr. Sun, head of the Chinese Russian Trading Company, is managing director of the Central Bank.

STOCK YARDS STRIKE ENDED.

Upon the assurance of the Kuomintang that special protection will be given to the cattle-market in Canton, the strike of the stock-yards ended a few days ago. The Police Chief, Wu Techen, has just given orders to the police authorities of the No. 1 Station of the 7th Police District to locate the 24 heads of cattle stolen by some Red soldiers on the night of December 4th. According to opinion heard in Chinese business circles, the ability of unruly Reds to commandeer cattle, vegetable, and other articles from the markets in Canton at will has been responsible for the decision of many local merchants to close their businesses after the next Chinese New Year, by which time they expect to get their accounts settled as far as possible.

THE PROJECTED ATTACK ON CANTON.

General Chen Chiung Ming, of the Cantonese Army opposing the Kuomintang, arrived at Hingning, Eastern Kwangtung, a few days ago and has been urged by his chief lieutenant, General Lin Fu, to take active command of the forces attacking Canton at once. General Chen and General Lin are discussing a plan of attack. It appears that the attack on Canton, while desirable and timely, is not so easy as generally expected. Dr. Sun's forces are strongly entrenched in Canton, and to dislodge them is a task requiring greater preparation and assurance of support than at first believed.

Troops commanded by Yung Kwan Yu and Hung Lerk, under General Chen Chiung Ming, in rivalry with Dr. Sun Yat Sen's Kuomintang for power in Canton, have been concentrating lately at Sheklung, along the Canton-Kowloon Railroad, and it is feared that another conflict is imminent.

(*Continued on next Column*).

FATSHAN AND ITS FINE.

The City of Fatshan—or rather the merchants supporting the Volunteer Movement—is not showing any haste to pay the second fine of $175,000 for having revolted against Kuomintang rule, and so far only $50,000 has been collected by the Kuomintang leaders. Soon after the Red massacre of Canton merchants on October 15th last, the Yunnanese division of the Red Army surrounded the Volunteers of Fatshan and levied a fine of $129,000 upon them, presumably on instruction from Dr. Sun Yat Sen in Canton; but, after the payment of this sum, the Reds in Canton repudiated the action of the Yunnanese division and insisted on another fine. Since the withdrawal of the Volunteers, the merchants in Fatshan have not been able to make any protest, and they are paying $100 each, although slowly.

"RED" METHODS OF RAISING THE WIND.

The Canton Waterworks Co. were fined $2,500 early this week by the Kuomintang for having failed to affix revenue stamps on some of the receipts they issue. At first the Reds demanded a fine of $15,000.

In view of the unwillingness of the fire-cracker dealers in Canton to contribute $130,000 annually for the privilege of carrying on their trade peacefully, the Kuomintang is now willing to accept $110,000, but this sum is still considered too high by the manufacturers.

To raise funds for the payment of arrears to the policemen of Canton, the Kuomintang Bureau of Public Safety will soon re-paint the house numbers of Canton buildings and charge a fee which will include a handsome profit to the city watchmen supervising the job.

THE WUCHOW FIRE.

As a measure of food conservation after the great fire of December 1st at Wuchow, Kwangsi, Commissioner Wong Shao Hung, of the Garrison at this port, has issued orders prohibiting rice export for the time being.

Following upon the destruction of so many buildings by the great fire at Wuchow, the Municipal Bureau of this port will refuse further applications for the erection of wooden and bamboo sheds along the water-front.

THE CIGARETTE TAX.

The cigarette stands in Canton have finally decided not to handle goods to which the manufacturers do not affix revenue stamps in advance. The small retail merchants have been hard pressed by the revenue stamp inspectors for failing to put stamps on cigarette packages. The manufacturers declined to bear the burden of this extra taxation and the public complain of the additional cost of their smokes. The war-tax of the Kuomintang on cigarettes is about 20 per cent., a rate appearing somewhat high on the popular 5-cent and 10-cent packages of smokes. It appears that the British-American Tobacco Co., whose products are much used in Canton, is opposing the extra taxation on principle; its company being foreign and naturally unwilling to pay higher duty than the 5 per cent. Customs fixed by treaties between China and foreign countries.

FIRE AT WONGSHA STATION.

The station of the Wongsha terminal of the Canton-Hankow Railroad, Kwangtung Section, was destroyed by fire on December 1st, the fire starting on the second floor, where some troops of the Red Army had been quartering.

BISHOPS ON SPIRITUAL HEALING.

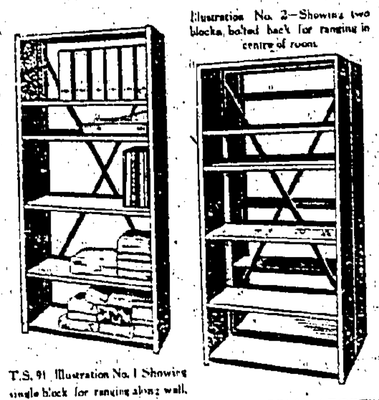
In the present state of knowledge, the Bishop of Southwark said in an address to the Southwark Diocesan Conference on November 4th, the Church ought to be very cautious before identifying itself indiscriminately with the claims of faith or spiritual-healers. At healing missions the cures wrought were probably due more to mass suggestion than to the contact of spiritual force with active faith. He had no doubt that great and real benefit to body and soul had been received through the healing ministry of the Church, prayerfully and reverently employed.

Addressing the Chester Diocesan Conference, the Bishop of Chester said that he wished to keep his mind well in suspense in regard to the work of the spiritual healer. Great crowds and rather sensational moments were not the way in which God's healing power was likely to work.

In a review of Far Eastern Banking in *The Statist*, it is remarked: "The prospects for China's unsecured creditors are going from bad to worse, as there seems as yet no way out of national bankruptcy. It has not been possible to proceed with the scheme for the establishment of a central mint at Shanghai, and the coins minted by the other provinces have been steadily reduced in silver content, with the result that currency chaos still prevails, leading to extensive hoarding of silver. At present there is an extreme monetary stringency in the interior of China, and trade has been brought to a standstill. The disturbances have had the effect of scaling down prices, as may be seen in the record of wholesale prices at Shanghai over the past twelve months."

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WOMEN DOCTORS.

THE DEBT WE OWE TO THEM.

The London School of Medicine for Women has recently celebrated its jubilee. Not only to those who found in that seminary an *alma mater* is the occasion of importance, remarks a London paper, for from the formation of its classes in 1874 we must date the concession to women of the means of training for the medical profession. It is true that even then the names of two women were to be found on the Medical Register. In 1858 Elizabeth Blackwell had taken the degree of M.D. at the University of Geneva; in 1865 the lady best known to our generation as Mrs. Garrett Anderson had obtained the diploma of the Society of Apothecaries. But after that shocking accident the society made a rule that candidates must come from a recognised medical school, and as no such school would admit women students the sanctity of the profession was preserved. A long and stubborn struggle to obtain medical teaching and medical degrees at Edinburgh University ended in a defeat in the law courts. Then Miss Sophia Jex Blake, leader of the women students, turned to London. Though she had, as we have seen, much prejudice to fight, it is fair to add, for the honour of the Victorian age, that she could command potent allies. Among the first governors of the London School of Medicine were Lord Shaftesbury and Darwin, Cowper-Temple and Huxley, and in a list of supporters are such eminent names as Burdon-Sanderson, Broadbent, and Critchett. It was hardly to be denied that in scientific and professional authority, in Parliamentary influence and in power over public opinion, the women's cause was strong. But the fight was by no means won. Parliament gave Medical Examining Boards power to admit women to their examinations, but the Boards would not act, and in 1877 the thirty-four women who had taken the curriculum of the London School were as far from being qualified as ever. But that summer the University of London opened its doors, and at last it was possible for an Englishwoman to practise medicine. The same year saw the Royal Free Hospital provide women students with clinical teaching, and thus the London School of Medicine for Women was organised on the scheme which has endured till our own time. It was for many years the only institution in our country which offered women a full training; it is still the only one which offers women students positions on the staff. The debt which all who have benefited by the work of women in medicine owe to the London School and the dauntless pioneers who founded it is great. We are too apt to forget that these first women doctors did conspicuous service to their sex outside the realm of medicine. They it was who proved the competence of women in professional work, and but for their triumphant vindication of feminine capacity the doors of the other professions would not have opened to women as soon as they did, and the place of women in our national economy would not be that which they have won to-day.

"THE GOOD OLD TIMES."

THE POSITION OF WOMEN.

Lecturing to the City Women's Club in Wine Office Court, on November 5th, on "London in the Good Old Times," Mr. Walter G. Bell, after giving a vivid picture of the "dirty, smelling, insanitary town, and the dark and foetid wooden houses" in the fourteenth century and onwards, went on to speak of the position of women in those far-back times, and in particular referred to the offence of being scolds, and the punishment imposed. This sometimes took the form of wearing an iron band enclosing the head and gagging the mouth; at others of stripping to the waist and public whipping; and yet again of ducking in a pond. One hapless scold from Westminster was described as being dragged at the stern of a row-boat through the Thames from bank to bank. Those were "the good old times" of the early seventeenth century. In one respect Mr. Bell spoke a good word for old times. There was not so much hanging then. They did not hang a man or woman for stealing a handkerchief or a shilling—not customarily. The times of the four Georges were the real hanging days. The earlier years were brutal in that men and women were alike publicly flogged, often at the cart's tail. The idea of the day seemed to be to make a public exhibition of wrong-doers as a warning to others, and often to make them ridiculous. There was the pillory and the stocks. To-day an old pair of stocks stood outside Shoreditch church, and there was a whipping post in the vault of St. Martin-in-the-Fields church at Charing-cross. Witches were honestly believed in in "the good old times," and Mr. Bell recalled a trial at assize as late as 1665 at which three women witches were condemned and afterwards hanged. Scolds and witches, he recalled, were always women. The law apparently did not believe that a man could be either. The tendency of the ages had been always upwards, and the really good times he suggested were to-day.

A hawker in South East Leeds turned out on the election polling day with a donkey which was literally smothered with red colours and streamers, and carried a picture of a fierce-looking Bolshevik, with the slogan "Follow Russia." The man himself, however, was as plentifully decorated with the Conservative Candidate's colours, and carried a placard on which he had printed "We're not all asses." It was a bold display in such a division, and, as was to be expected, had a very short life. The man and his donkey were quickly the centre of a small mob of "Reds," and after a short, sharp, and very one-sided argument he returned home with his animal, looking a good deal the worse for his adventure.

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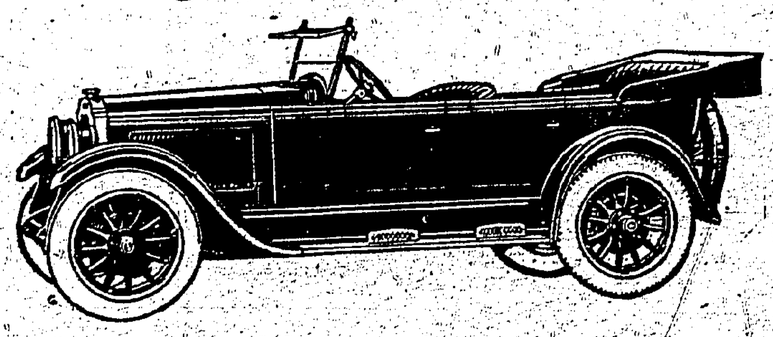
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OUTLOOK IN THE INDUSTRY.

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The President, proposing "The Mercantile Marine," said the latest development was the motor-ship, and he was glad of the part played by members of that institute in that development. Those who adventured overseas were the apostles of peace, for the successful establishment of uniform sea law was the beginning of international amity.

Lord Lanlithgow, in responding, said he believed that the events of the last few days would give renewed impetus to the great business of world shipping. The foundation of shipping was trade, and if they were to have active trade they wanted confidence, integrity, and sanctity of contract. (Hear, hear.) The credit of Great Britain could not be strengthened by giving a loan to any country which had not the slightest intention of repaying one penny.

Sir Ernest Glover said there were indications that they were nearing the end of the "slump." Laid-up tonnage today was a great deal less than at any time during the last 18 months, and we were on the road to establishing equilibrium between the amount of tonnage available and the amount of cargoes to be carried.

MASONIC MILLION FUND.
NEXT YEAR'S FESTIVAL.

The Duke of Connaught, Grand Master of English Freemasons, has decided to hold the special festival in support of the Masonic Million Memorial Fund, over which he will preside, at Olympia on Saturday, August 8th, 1925.

The official announcement of the date of the festival will doubtless give a stimulus to the support of the fund among Freemasons throughout the Empire. The scheme, it may be remembered, was established in 1919, in response to an appeal made by the Duke of Connaught for a Masonic Peace Memorial, which, it was decided, should take the shape of a great new Masonic building in the heart of the Empire. At the September Communication of Grand Lodge in that year a special committee was appointed to formulate the proposal. They got to work quickly, and a scheme was issued shortly afterwards which embraced the recognition of the more generous subscribers by the institution of "Hall Stone Lodges" and the conferment on individuals of "Hall Stone" medals. In December last Grand Lodge adopted proposals submitted to them with regard to the accommodation to be provided in the intended buildings, which are to be erected on the site of the present Freemasons' Hall and offices in Great Queen-street, and the conditions on which architects' designs should be invited. Important features of the new building will be a temple having a seating capacity for 2,000 members of Grand Lodge; a suite of rooms for the use of visiting Freemasons from all parts, with conference, reading, writing, and smoking rooms, library, and a museum, in which to display the many treasures possessed by Grand Lodge. There will also be increased accommodation for meetings of Craft lodges and Royal Arch chapters.

The festival, which, it is hoped, will mark the complete success of the effort to raise the sum required for the memorial, will fall in the twenty-fifth year of the Masonic presidency of the Duke of Connaught, who was first elected and installed as Grand Master in 1901. The appeal, which has been made systematically throughout the English Jurisdiction, has met encouraging replies from all parts of the world, many of the far-off districts being most liberal in contributions, while at home practically every province has risen to the occasion, over 700 lodges having already subscribed sums sufficient to entitle them to the "Hall Stone" qualification, this being a contribution averaging ten guineas per member.

IN ULSTER'S HANDS.
DE VALERA IMPRISONED.

Eamon de Valera was charged at Belfast on November 1st, before two resident magistrates, with having disobeyed an order of the Home Secretary for Northern Ireland prohibiting his entry into that area. It was stated for the prosecution that the order, made on September 1st, set forth that the defendant was suspected of being about to act in a manner prejudicial to the preservation of peace and the maintenance of order in Northern Ireland, and prohibited him from residing in or entering the polling areas in the counties of Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Tyrone, and Derry and the cities of Belfast and Derry. The order was served on him on October 25th at the railway station at Adavoyle, co. Armagh, but in spite of the prohibition he visited Derry on the following day, and was arrested. "I came into county Down," he said, "for the purpose of asserting my right to address my constituents."

The defendant did not avail himself of the opportunity to question witnesses who gave evidence, and refused to plead, on the ground that the Court was the creature of a foreign Power and therefore had not the sanction of the Irish people.

The chairman of the bench, intervening, said that the magistrates would listen to any defence, but not to a political speech, nor would they allow, under any pretext, anything to be said in contempt of court.

The defendant then stated that he had nothing more to say in his defence, and sentence of one months' imprisonment in the second division was passed.

Some interesting facts were mentioned by the Lord Mayor, who presided at the Mansion House, over the annual meeting of the Royal Society of St. George on October 30th. The society, he said, was formed in 1894, and had now a membership of over 20,000 with nearly 100 branches.

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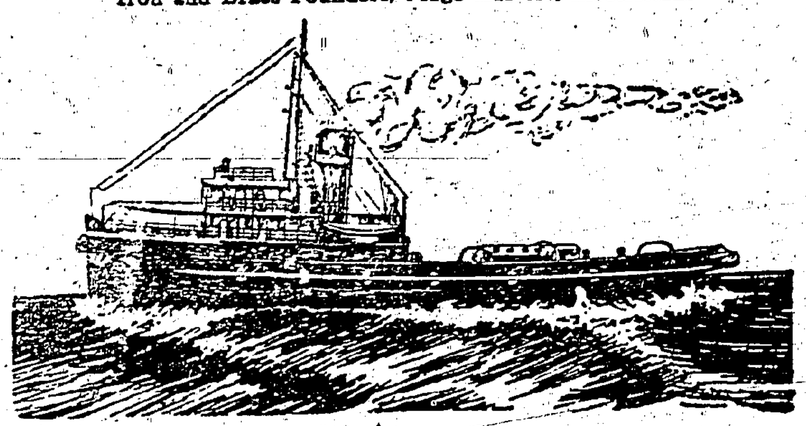
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ARRIVALS.

December 11th.

Gitiera, Norwegian str., 726 tons, Capt. E. Troedt, from Pulo Laut and Borneo, lying at buoy No. B31.—Kwang Seng.

Macedonia, British str., 5,830 tons, Capt. H. Potter, R.N.R., from London, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Lerke, Norwegian str., 678 tons, Capt. G. F. Krogh, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C48.—Pak Tai Co.

Taikoo Wangi, British str., 1,876 tons, Capt. R. T. Mitchell, from Hongay, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. A32.—B. & S.

Yoshino Maru, Japanese str., 9,002 tons, Capt. T. Araki, from Melbourne, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—N.Y.K.

December 12th.

Andes Maru, Japanese str., 4,846 tons, Capt. M. Yajiwa, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Admiralty buoy No. 1.—O.S.K.

Cheribon Maru, Japanes estr., 2,491 tons, Capt. N. Suzuki, from Balikpapan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27.—Nanyo Yusen Kaisha.

Chihaya Maru, Japanese str., 854 tons, Capt. S. Sakaguchi, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B35.—M.B.K.

Childar, Norwegian str., 1,102 tons, Capt. J. Matthiasen, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C39.—Thoresen & Co.

Dakar Maru, Japanese str., 4,382 tons, Capt. J. Tsuji, from Hamburg and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4.—N.Y.K.

Hang Seng, British str., 1,556 tons, Capt. R. H. McNair, from Bangkok and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C37.—J. M. & Co.

Heian Maru, Japanese str., 1,[illegible] tons, Capt. Y. Masuda, from Tailay Bay, with a cargo of lime stone, lying at Kowloon Bay.—Geo. Grimble & Co.

Ixion, British str., 6,520 tons, Capt. C. Y. Carron, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's wharf.—B. & S.

Kaucheng, British str., 1,228 tons, Capt. H. P. Carver, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Kochi Maru, Japanese str., 1,752 tons, Capt. S. Suzuki, from Dairen, with a cargo of coal, lying at Wanchai.—Suzuki & Co.

Lushun Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. N. Nakahara, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C38.—N.Y.K.

Mantua, British str., 5,889 tons, Capt. W. G. W. Cherry, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Panama, Danish str., 4,246 tons, Capt. Hjermer, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A5.—John Manners & Co.

Sunli, Portuguese str., 484 tons, Capt. G. A. de Souza, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong wharf.—Hung Kee & Co.

Taito Maru, Japanese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C16.

Tak Sang, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. B32.

West Farallon, American str., 4,502 tons, Capt. G. Winkel, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A31.—Struthers Barry.

Yueyingwu, British str., 816 tons, Capt. C. Masson, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C46.—Cheong Yue S.S. Co.

CLEARANCES.

December 12th.

Andes Maru, for Singapore.
Clara Jebsen, for Singapore.
Dakar Maru, for Shanghai.
Haining, for Swatow.
Hwa Tai, for Saigon.
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Lushun Maru, for Canton.
Macedonia, for Shanghai.
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Panama, for Singapore.
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Sunli, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Taiyia, for Shanghai.
Taito Maru, for Shanghai.
Tak Sang, for Shanghai.
Yoshino Maru, for Nagasaki.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per N.Y.K. s.s. *Yoshino Maru*, from Australia, on December 11th:—For Hongkong: Miss F. A. Barker, Dr. G. A. Fiesher, Mrs. E. E. Hayter, Mrs. M. J. MacCulloch, Mr. W. T. Sloan, Mr. E. W. Turnbull, Mr. K. van der Boogaard, Mr. W. M. Groves, Mr. T. H. Hendle, Miss M. MacCulloch, Mr R. G. Sloan, Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Mrs. C. J. Fox, Mrs. E. J. Hunter, Miss E. J. Mackellar, Mrs. E. Starkie, Mrs. A. E. Spittles, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Fincher, Mrs. E. Yuchenkoff, Mr. E. W. Fincher, Miss V. Yuchenkoff, Miss E. E. Fincher, and Mr. E. G. Young.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The N.D.L. s.s. *Coblenz* will arrive here from Shanghai on Monday. She will sail for Hamburg and Bremen, *viâ* Singapore, etc., on the same day at 4 p.m.

The Admiral Oriental liner *President Jefferson*, which sailed from this port at 5 p.m. on December 8th, arrived at Manila at 7 a.m. on December 10th. She returns from that port at 5 p.m. on December 13th, arriving here at 7 a.m. on December 15th, and will sail for Victoria and Seattle, *viâ* Shanghai and Japan, at 10 a.m. on December 17th.

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6131/9th	Stephenson ...	Stlouismo

WEATHER REPORT.

December 12th at 18.07.—Pressure has increased moderately over N. China and South Japan; other changes are slight. The anticyclone has increased slightly in intensity; fresh to strong monsoon will continue along the coast and over the north part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Dec. 12th 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 98.49 inches, against an average of 82.47 inches.

The forcast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Dec. 13th is as follows:—

District	Forecast
Formosa Channel	...N.E. winds, strong.
Hongkong to Gap Rock	N.E. winds, fresh; fine.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, December 12th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.19	30.25	30.19
Temperature ...	65	56	63
Humidity ...	33	77	58
Wind Direction...	ESE	NE	E
Force ...	3	2	4
Weather	B	B	B
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hightest open-air Temperature on 11th ...			66
Lowest open-air Temperature on 12th ...			56

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From December 13th to 19th, 1924.

Days of Week.	Days of Month.	High Water. H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	Low Water. H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Satur.	13	m 11 22	4 6	m 5 3	1 5
		9 53 a	7 8	3 26 a	3 7
Sun.	14	0 5 a	4 5	m 5 38	1 5
		10 26 a	7 7	3 51 a	3 9
Mon.	15	0 52 a	4 5	m 15	1 6
		11 6 a	7 5	4 20 a	4 0
Tues.	16	1 46 a	4 5	m 6 56	1 8
		11 51 a	7 2	4 58 a	4 3
Wed.	17	2 49 a	4 6	m 7 42	1 9
				5 51 a	4 4
Thur.	18	m 0 42	6 8	m 8 32	2 1
		3 48 a	4 8	7 14 a	4 5
Fri.	19	m 1 41	6 3	m 9 23	2 3
		4 38 a	5 2	9 2 a	4 4

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Ajax (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 6th.
Empress of Asia, due (from Manila), December 16th.
Empress of Canada, due December 24th.
Kitano Maru (N.Y.K.), due December 16th.
Knight Companion (Blue Funnel), due January 21st.
President Grant (Admiral Oriental), due December 19th.
President Harrison (Dollar), due Jan. 5th.
President Monroe (Dollar line), due December 22nd.
Sarpedon (Blue Funnel), due December 24th.
Troilus (Blue Funnel), due December 23rd.
Tyndareus (Blue Funnel), due January 13th.

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Holy Communion—8 a.m. Choral.
Matins—11 a.m.
Preacher: Rev. H. Copley Moyle.
Subject: Hell.
Evensong—6 p.m.
Preacher: Rev. B. J. Northcott, C.F.
Subject: Are Miracles possible? [151

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—Sunday Services, December 14th:—
Sunday School at 10 o'clock.
Morning Service at 11 o'clock:—
Hymns: 86, 745, 344, 463.
Anthem: "Oh for a Closer Walk with God."
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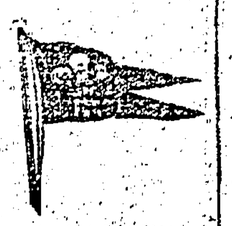
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"KHIVA"	9,135	27th Dec.	Marseilles, L'don., Rotterdam, Hamburg, Antwerp and Hull.
		1925	
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	10th Jan.	Marseilles & London
"SICILIA"	6,813	21st Jan.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KALYAN"	9,118	24th Jan.	Mars., London, R'dam. & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,911	7th Feb.	Marseilles & London
"SARDINIA"	6,684	18th Feb.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	21st Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Mar.	Marseilles & London
"SOUDAN"	6,896	18th Mar.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SICILIA"	6,813	31st Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay'.
"MANTUA"	10,902	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London
"KARMALA"	9,098	18th Apr.	Mars., L'don. & A'werp.
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		1925.	
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"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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"SICILIA"	6,813	7th Mar.	do.
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"NAGOYA"	6,864	22nd Apr.	do.
"MOREA"	10,911	1st May	do.
"KALYAN"	9,118	15th May	do.
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SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KANCHOW" ...	On 14th Dec., Noon.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG" ...	On 16th Dec., D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIUNGCHOW" ...	On 16th Dec., 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"TEAN" ...	On 17th Dec., 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LINAN" ...	On 17th Dec., Noon
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG" ...	On 18th Dec., 11 p.m.
WIHEAIWAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW" ...	On 18th Dec., 4 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LIANGCHOW" ...	On 20th Dec., Noon
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE ...	"KIANGSU" ...	On 21st Dec., D.L.
SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG" ...	On 21st Dec., 11 a.m.
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Manila	*Pres. Jefferson* ...	15th Dec.
Australia & Manila ...	*Taiyuan*	15th Dec.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia: London 21st, Nov.	*Hector*	15th Dec
Straits	*Kitano Maru* ...	16th Dec.
Japan	*Tango Maru* ...	16th Dec.
Manila	*Empr. of Asia* ...	16th Dec.
Japan	*Fushimi Maru* ...	19th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	*Pres. Monroe* ...	22nd Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per		Date.	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	*Taikwa Maru* ...	Saturday,	13th,	9.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt, & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 9th January, 1925.	*Mantua* ...	Registration Letters		9.45 A.M. 10.30 A.M.
Japan	*Tjikandi*			2.30 P.M.
Hoihow and *Haiphong	*Mingsang*			5.00 P.M.
Haiphong	*Borneo*			5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Ixion*			5.00 P.M.
Hoihow and Bangkok	*Chenan*	Sunday,	14th,	8.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Katio Maru* ...			9.00 A.M.
Shanghai	*Kunchow*			9.00 A.M.
Japan	*Cheribon Maru* ...			9.00 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta	*Hosang*	Monday,	15th,	1.00 P.M.
Swatow	*Hydrangea* ...			3.30 P.M.
Amoy	*Suiyang* ...			5.00 P.M.
*Swatow and Bangkok	*Kiungchow* ...	Tuesday,	16th,	9.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 13th Jan. 1925...	*Hector*	Registration Letters		9.45 A.M. 10.30 A.M.
Sandakan	*Hinsang*			10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Hong* ...			Noon
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & S. America, & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 4th Jan., 1925, and Europe via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	*Pres. Jefferson*	Parcels, Wednesday, Registration Letters	16th, 17th,	5.00 P.M. 8.00 A.M. 8.30 A.M.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 25th Dec.	*Tango Maru* ...	Registration Letters		8.30 A.M. 9.00 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles, 17th Jan., 1925.	*Fushimi Maru*	Registration Letters		8.45 A.M. 9.30 A.M.
Shanghai & Japan	*Kaga Maru* ...			9.00 A.M.
Java via Batavia	*Tjikembang* ...			10.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	*Kitano Maru* ...			10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haiching* ...	Friday,	19th,	Noon
Manila	*Pres. Grant*	Saturday,	20th,	3.30 P.M.
Saigon, *Straits Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 21st Jan, 1925—Ship sails on Sunday, 21st Dec. at 4 p.m.	*Angers*	Registration Letters		4.15 P.M. 5.00 P.M.
Manila	*Pres. Monroe* ...	Monday,	22nd.	5.00 P.M.

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Shek Ki	6.00 P.M.	9.30 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Kongmoon	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Kaukong	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
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